

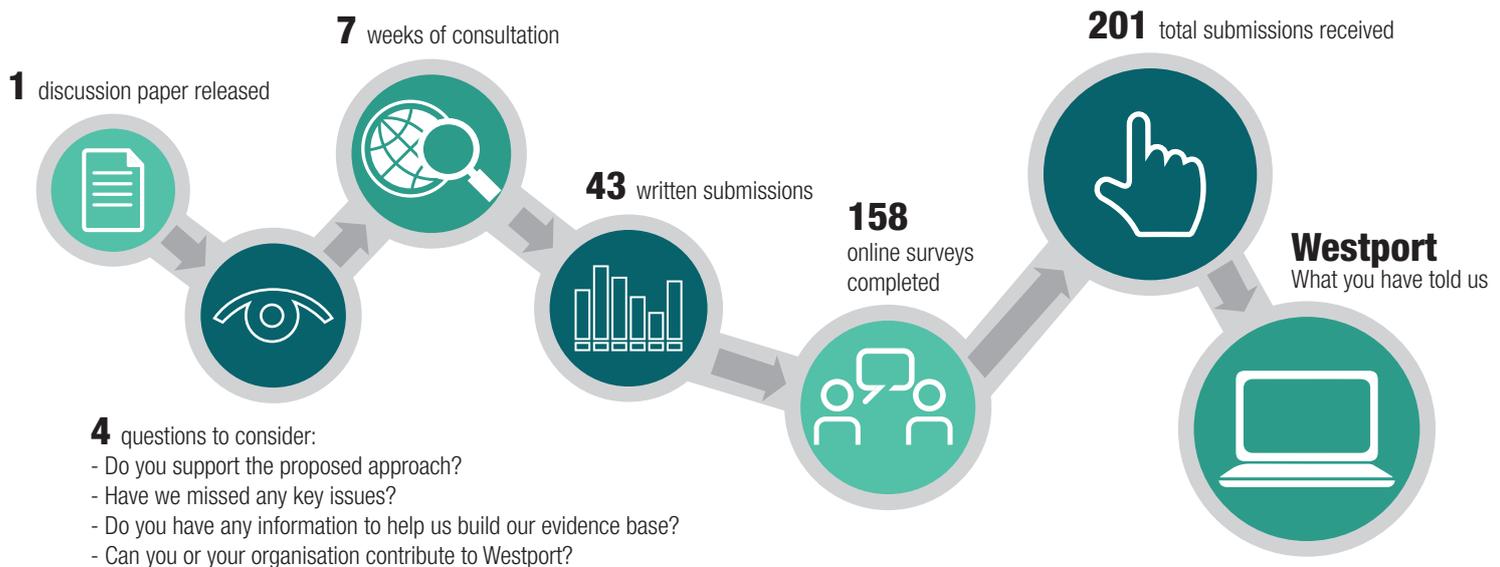
Westport: Preparing for the Strategy

Consultation fact sheet

What we did

In December 2017, we released the *Westport: Preparing for the Strategy* discussion paper. In doing so, we invited the community to join the conversation on the process that will be taken to prepare the *Westport: Port and Environs Strategy* and commenced the first phase of formal engagement for the project.

Feedback was gathered through a number of channels including an online survey, written submissions, direct correspondence and meetings. We received a total of 201 formal submissions from individuals, representatives from State and local government, community groups, environmental groups and advocacy bodies.



What you have told us

There was broad support for our approach and the proposed key factors to be considered as we prepare the Westport Strategy. Respondents backed the long-term nature of the Strategy understanding that planning work undertaken in its development will look at solutions to meet Perth and the surrounding regions freight and trade needs for the next 50 to 100 years.

The majority of respondents were also supportive of the planned question based methodology. It was acknowledged that this approach will encourage a more consultative environment than traditional methods which focus on addressing specific subjects as it will allow information obtained to be used collectively to ensure balanced results.

The feedback we received has been arranged into two categories.

1. Key themes from submissions

The *Westport: What you have told us* consultation summary sorts feedback into land use planning, transport planning, environmental planning, commercial, economic development and port planning classifications.

Some of the things you told us to consider include:

- addressing short-term congestion around the Fremantle Inner Harbour;
- identifying opportunities for development in North Fremantle;
- expanding on the diverse and significant environmental values of Cockburn Sound in future publications;
- utilising the Infrastructure Sustainability Council of Australia (ISCA) framework;
- investigating public and private funding models; and
- engaging independent facilitators during the delivery of the work packages

2. A question based approach

Respondents provided extensive comments in relation to each of the seven key questions presented in the discussion paper.

Many of these comments have formed the basis for new sub-questions which are detailed in the *Westport: What you have told us consultation summary*.

A reoccurring theme within the submissions we received centred on the governance of future port facilities in the Kwinana area. As an issue of importance identified by respondents, an additional question has been added to our methodology to ensure that it is adequately addressed:

Question eight: What should be the future governance model for additional port facilities?

What happens now?

We received substantial feedback on the things we needed to consider in building our evidence base to support the development of the Westport Strategy. All of this information has been used to help refine our methodology and identify gaps in our knowledge which has determined our next steps:

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Preparing for the Strategy - Complete

The first phase of engagement which opened conversation on the process to be undertaken to prepare the Westport Strategy and the key factors that need to be considered.

What you have told us

A summary of the key themes of the feedback received and how they have influenced the methodology going forward. From this 10 packages of work have been identified that will help us to answer our eight key questions.

Westport work streams

Work streams comprising members from the various parts of the Westport Taskforce are currently being established to deliver each of the identified work packages.

Technical investigations

Work packages will be progressed, a number of potential options will be identified and from these a shortlist will be made of those that warrant further investigation.

What we have found so far

Preliminary findings of work undertaken will be presented as a discussion paper. Comment will be sought on how we should assess the shortlisted options and what information is required to do so.

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Identifying a preferred option

Feedback received will help to determine a final methodology for assessing the shortlisted options. This evaluation will then be undertaken to arrive at a preferred outcome.

Releasing a draft strategy

The outcome of the evaluation undertaken will be presented as part of the draft strategy which will also detail the activities undertaken by the Westport Taskforce over the life of the project. The draft strategy will be released for public comment.

Providing advice to government

The final *Westport: Port and Environs Strategy* will be presented to the Minister for Transport, Planning and Lands.